

Zechariah 14

Scriptures:

Notes:

Any time we think of Israel, we must try to see them through the eyes of God's plan for them. They are and will always be God's chosen people.

This last chapter of Zechariah pictures the return of the Messiah as their divine King.

Title ideas:
The Glory of the Day of the Lord!

Zechariah 14:1-9 – The Glory of the Day of the Lord!

Scriptures:
Isaiah 13:9 -

Behold, the day of the LORD comes,
Cruel, with both wrath and fierce anger,
To lay the land desolate;
And He will destroy its sinners from it.

Malachi 4:1 -

“For behold, the day is coming,
Burning like an oven,
And all the proud, yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble.
And the day which is coming shall burn them up,”
Says the LORD of hosts,
“That will leave them neither root nor branch.

¹ Behold, the day of the LORD is coming, and your

H935 -

spoil will be divided in your midst.

H7998 – plunder,
booty,

H2505 -

Notes:

‘the day of the Lord’ – This is referring to the time period when God keeps His Word to judge the world for its wickedness. Begins with the Rapture of the church. Then the seven-year Tribulation which concludes with the Second Coming of Christ.

The ‘day of the Lord’ will be the worst time in human history (Isa. 13:9; Mal. 4:1). But it will also be a time of restoration. God will restore the world back to the way He created it to be before sin corrupted everything. He will also restore His people, the Jews, back into a right relationship with Himself.

Scriptures:

Joel 3:2-3 - I will also gather all nations,

And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat;

And I will enter into judgment with them there

On account of My people, My heritage Israel,

Whom they have scattered among the nations;

They have also divided up My land.

3 They have cast lots for My people,

Have given a boy as payment for a harlot,

And sold a girl for wine, that they may drink.

² For [△] I will gather all the nations to battle against

H622 -

Notes:

The nations will believe that acting according to their own will but will be doing God's will (Joel 3:2-3).

"The nations believe that they are acting on their own initiative, but the hand of God is behind it to judge them." (Lieth, 2002) page 275

This is likely pointing to the Battle of Armageddon.

³ Jerusalem; the city shall be taken, the houses

rifled, and the women [♀] ravished. Half of the city ³

H8155 -
plundered

H7693 - raped

shall go into [🔑] captivity, but the remnant of the

people shall not be cut [□] off from the city ³.

Scriptures:

³ Then the LORD will go forth and fight against

Notes:

those nations, as He fights in the day of battle.

Scriptures:

Acts 1:9-12 - Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. 10 And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, 11 who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

4 And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which faces Jerusalem on the east. And

Notes:

'stand on Mount of Olives' – Even though the city will be surrounded and Israel's enemies will seem to have the upper hand, God will intervene.

'stand on the Mount of Olives' – Jesus ascended from this place and will return to it at the Second Coming (Acts 1:9-12).

Which would be harder for God – parting the Red Sea or splitting the Mount of Olives? Nothing is too hard for God.

the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, from

H1234 – rend, rip,
break open

east to west, *making* a very large valley; half of

the mountain shall move toward the north and

half of it toward the south.

Scriptures:

Psalms 96:13 - For He is coming, for He is coming to judge the earth.

He shall judge the world with righteousness,
And the peoples with His truth.

Isaiah 66:15-16 - For behold, the LORD will come with fire

And with His chariots, like a whirlwind,
To render His anger with fury,

And His rebuke with flames of fire.

16 For by fire and by His sword

The LORD will judge all flesh;

And the slain of the LORD shall be many.

Jude 14-15 - Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints, 15 to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.

Joel 3:2 - I will also gather all nations,

And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat;

And I will enter into judgment with them there

On account of My people, My heritage Israel,

Whom they have scattered among the nations;

They have also divided up My land.

⁵ Then you shall flee [⚠]through [⚠]My mountain valley,

H5127 - escape

Notes:

'The Lord my God will come. – When God comes again, it will be to judge this world for sin and for rejecting His Son who was sent to deliver them from their sin (Psa. 96:13; Isa. 66:15-16).

'all the saints with you' – When Jesus comes back He will not be alone (Jude 14-15).

This is similar to the splitting of the Red Sea to help the Israelites to escape from the Egyptian army.

This may be the Valley of Jehoshaphat (Joel 3:2) where God will judge the nations.

for the mountain valley shall reach to Azal. Yes,

[⚠]you shall flee as you [⚠]fled from the earthquake in

the days of [Ⓛ]Uzziah [Ⓜ]king of Judah. Thus the LORD

[⚠]my God will come, ⁹and [⚠]all the saints with You.

H6918 – holy one
(morally or ceremonially)

Scriptures:

⁶ It shall come to pass in that day [Ⓢ] *that* there will

Notes:

be no light; the lights will diminish.

H7087 – curdle,
congeal, to lose
brightness

Scriptures:

Matthew 24:36 - But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.

⁷ It shall be one day [Ⓢ] which is known to the LORD [Ⓢ]

Notes:

God has set a date for when He will send Jesus back in the Second Coming. No one knows when that will be ([Matt. 24:36](#)).

neither day nor night. but at evening time it shall

happen *that* it will be light.

Scriptures:

Ezekiel 37:1-12 -

Then he brought me back to the door of the temple; and there was water, flowing from under the threshold of the temple toward the east, for the front of the temple faced east; the water was flowing from under the right side of the temple, south of the altar. 2 He brought me out by way of the north gate, and led me around on the outside to the outer gateway that faces east; and there was water, running out on the right side.

3 And when the man went out to the east with the line in his hand, he measured one thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the water came up to my ankles. 4 Again he measured one thousand and brought me through the waters; the water came up to my knees. Again he measured one thousand and brought me through; the water came up to my waist. 5 Again he measured one thousand, and it was a river that I could not cross; for the water was too deep, water in which one must swim, a river that could not be crossed. 6 He said to me, "Son of man, have you seen this?" Then he brought me and returned me to the bank of the river. 7 When I returned, there, along the bank of the river, were very many trees on one side and the other. 8 Then he said to me: "This water flows toward the eastern region, goes down into the valley, and enters the sea. When it reaches the sea, its waters are healed. 9 And it shall be that every living thing that moves, wherever the rivers go, will live. There will be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters go there; for they will be healed, and everything will live wherever the river goes. 10 It shall be that fishermen will stand by it from En Gedi to En Eglaim; they will be places for spreading their nets. Their fish will be of the same kinds as the fish of the Great Sea, exceedingly many. 11 But its swamps and marshes will not be healed; they will be given over to salt. 12 Along the bank of the river, on this side and that, will grow all

8 And in that day it shall be—that living waters

H2416 - fresh H4325

Notes:

'living waters' – Ezekiel also referred to something like this (Ezek. 37:1-12). Jesus also spoke about this from a spiritual perspective (John 7:38).

'eastern sea' = The Dead Sea –
'western sea' = Mediterranean

This speaks of the prosperity of the Millennial Kingdom (Rev. 22:1-2).

shall flow from Jerusalem, half of them toward

the eastern sea and half of them toward the

western sea; in both summer and winter it shall

occur.

kinds of trees used for food; their leaves will not wither, and their fruit will not fail. They will bear fruit every month, because their water flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for medicine."

John 7:38 - He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.

Revelation 22:1-2 - And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. 2 In the middle of its street, and on either

side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Scriptures:

Ephesians 6:12 - For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

2 Corinthians 4:3 - But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

Jeremiah 23:5-6 -

“Behold, the days are coming,” says the LORD, “That I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; A King shall reign and prosper, And execute judgment and righteousness in the earth.

6 In His days Judah will be saved, And Israel will dwell safely; Now this is His name by which He will be called:

THE LORD OUR
RIGHTEOUSNESS

Revelation 11:15 - Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!”

Deuteronomy 6:4 - Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one!

Zephaniah 3:9 -

For then I will restore to the peoples a pure language, That they all may call on the name of the LORD, To serve Him with one accord.

⁹ And the LORD shall be King over all the earth. In

that day it shall be “The LORD is one,” and His

name one.

Notes:

‘Lord shall be King’ – God is sovereign over all of Creation. He is not fully exercising His kingship over the earth right now (Eph. 6:12; 2 Cor. 4:2). This verse predicts a day when that will change (Jer. 23:5-6; Rev. 11:15).

‘The Lord is One’ – is a quotation of Deut. 6:4. This suggests a future day when all false worship will be eliminated.

‘His name one’ – Even though all believers are one in Christ, we are divided by factions and denominations. When Christ comes, the church will experience true unity with Christ and with one another.

This may also point to the restoration of a single language (Zeph. 3:9). What language? Probably whatever it was prior to the Tower of Babel.

Jerusalem will no longer be just the capital of Israel – it will be the capital of the world.

Scriptures:

Isaiah 40:3-5 -

The voice of one crying in
the wilderness:

“Prepare the way of the
LORD;

Make straight in the
desert

A highway for our God.

4 Every valley shall be
exalted

And every mountain and
hill brought low;

The crooked places shall
be made straight

And the rough places
smooth;

5 The glory of the
LORD shall be revealed,

And all flesh shall see it
together;

For the mouth of the
LORD has spoken.”

10 All the land shall be turned into a plain from

Notes:

The Second Coming will have far-
reaching effects upon the world.
Here we are told there will be
topographical changes around
Jerusalem (Isa. 40:3-5).

Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem. *Jerusalem*

shall be raised up and inhabited in her place from

H7213 – lifted up

Benjamin’s Gate to the place of the First Gate

and the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of

Hananel to the king’s winepresses.

Scriptures:

Romans 8:20-21 - For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; 21 because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

11 *The people* shall dwell in it; and no longer shall

Notes:

'utter destruction' – also means cursed. The Second Coming includes the final dealing with sin. Sin brought a curse upon this world. Jesus made a way to escape the consequences of the curse at the cross and he will deal with it forever at His Second Coming (Rom. 8:20-21).

there be utter destruction, but Jerusalem shall be

H2764 – doomed
object, devoted
thing

safely inhabited.

H983 –
refuge,
security

H3427 -

Scriptures:

12 And this shall be the plague with which the

H4046 -
pestilence

Notes:

Some try to give a human explanation for this dissolving. God is the One who does it – it is probably supernatural.

LORD will strike all the people who fought against

H5062 -

Jerusalem: Their flesh shall dissolve while they

H4743 – to waste
away, to rot
away, decompose

stand on their feet, their eyes shall dissolve in

H4743 -

their sockets, and their tongues shall dissolve in

H4743 -

their mouths.

Scriptures:

13 It shall come to pass in that day [Ⓢ] *that* a great

H7227 -

Notes:

panic from the LORD [Ⓢ] will be among them.

H4103 - confusion

Everyone will seize the hand of his neighbor, and

raise his hand against his neighbor's hand;

Scriptures:

14 Judah also will fight at Jerusalem. And the

Notes:

wealth of all the surrounding nations

shall be gathered together: gold, silver, and

H622 - gather

apparel in great abundance.

Scriptures:

15 Such also shall be the plague on the horse *and*

Notes:

H4046 -
pestilence



the mule, on the camel and the donkey, and on

all the cattle that will be in those camps. So *shall*

this plague *be*.

16 And it shall come to pass *that* everyone who is

left of all the nations which came against

Jerusalem shall go up from year  to year  to

worship the King, the  LORD of hosts, and to keep

H7812 -

the Feast of Tabernacles.

Scriptures:

17 And it shall be *that* whichever of the families of

Notes:
'rain' is a symbol of God's blessings
on their material things.

the earth do not come up to Jerusalem to

worship the King, the LORD of hosts, on them

there will be no rain.

Scriptures:

18 If the family of Egypt will not come up and

Notes:

enter in, they *shall have* no *rain*; they shall

receive the plague with which the LORD [△] strikes

the nations who do not come up to keep the

Feast of Tabernacles.

Scriptures:

19 This shall be the punishment of Egypt and the

Notes:

H2403 - penalty

punishment of all the nations that do not come

up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.

Scriptures:
Exodus 28:36 - You shall also make a plate of pure gold and engrave on it, like the engraving of a signet: HOLINESS TO THE LORD

²⁰ In that day “HOLINESS TO THE LORD” shall be

Notes:
When Christ returns there will be no separation between the holy and the common. The horse's bells will be engraved with the same thing that is written on the High priest's hat (Exo. 28:36).

engraved on the bells of the horses. The pots in

the LORD's house shall be like the bowls before

the altar.

Scriptures:

21 Yes, every pot in Jerusalem and Judah shall be

Notes:
'Canaanite' is synonymous with
immorality and wickedness.

holiness to the LORD of hosts. Everyone who

sacrifices shall come and take them and cook in

them. In that day there shall no longer be a

Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts.

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